National Curriculum Framework

†1226. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

whether Government have prepared a National Curriculum Framework, 2005;

if so, the details of the steps that would be taken by Government for expansion and development of vocational education through it;

whether there is any annual action-plan to achieve the target; and

if so, the details thereof alongwith the amount that would be spent thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

The National Curriculum Framework (NCF) 2005 proposes Vocational Education and Training (VET) which is conceived and implemented in a mission mode, involving the establishment of separate VET centers and institutions from the level of village clusters and blocks to sub-divisional/ district/towns and metropolitan areas. Wherever possible, it would be in national interest to utilize the school infrastructure (both in physical and financial terms) for setting up this new institutional structure for VET.

and (d) No such target has been specified in the NCF.

Quality improvements in schools

1227. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

whether Government have announced a revised scheme for quality improvements in schools;

if so, the details thereof and the States where it would be introduced and by when;

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